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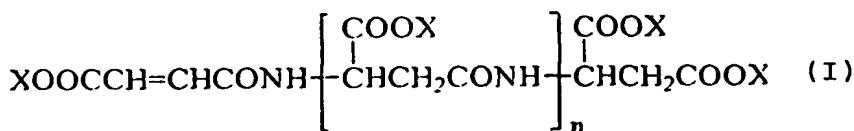
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average molecular weight greater than or equal to 2,000. The use of said polymer and process for preparing the same.

(57) Abstract: A poly- β -carboxyacrylamide polymer of formula (I) wherein X is an alkaline metal or a substituent capable of bringing about an exchange reaction with a salt of an alkaline earth metal, said polymer having a ponderal